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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Special Activities 15 OCT 1969

ATTENTION: Chief, Intelligence Division

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Proposed [] Mission C259C
16 October 1969

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REFERENCE: [] 24 October 1966

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1. This memorandum is a review of Route 1119, which lies over water, following the coasts of the Liaotung and Shantung Peninsulas and then proceeding south and out to sea below 34° north. This evaluation is prepared in support of [] Mission C259C to be flown on 16 October and is forwarded in compliance with this Office's responsibilities as set forth in the reference. 25X1

2. Review of the mission route indicated the likelihood of MiG-21 reactions from Tsang-hsien Airfield (38-24N/116-56E) and Wu-Ching Airfield (39-22N/117-06E), each of which is reported to have four MiG-21s, and the slight possibility of a reaction from Wu-hu Airfield (31-24N/118-25E) where there are ten MiG-21s. Defensive patrols by MiG-19s can be expected while the U-2 is near the mainland coast.

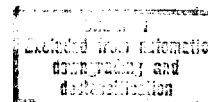
3. Although in excess of seventy-five North Korean MiG-21s are within range of the mission route and North Korean pilots are aggressive and have practiced zoom climb attacks and overwater flights, on the basis of recent experience no North Korean reactions are expected.

4. No SAM threat is expected as long as the mission remains the planned distance offshore. 25X1

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